

FUR

TO FURBELLOW. *v. a.* [from the noun.] To adorn with ornamental appendages of dress.

When arguments too fiercely glare,
You calm them with a milder air;
To break their points, you turn their force,
And furbelow the plain discourse. *Prior.*
She was furbelowed from head to foot; every
ribbon was crinkled, and every part of her garments in curl.
Addison's Spectator, N^o. 129.

TO FURBISH. *v. a.* [from *fourbir*, French.] To burnish; to polish; to rub to brightness.

It may enter Mowbray's waxen coat,
And furbish new the name of John o' Gaunt. *Shak. R. II.*
Furbish the spears, and put on the brigandines. *Jer. xlv. 4.*
Some others who furbish up and reprint his old errors, hold
that the sufferings of the damned are not to be, in a strict
sense, eternal; but that, after a certain period of time, there
shall be a general gaol-delivery of the souls in prison, and that
not for a farther execution, but a final release. *South's Sermon.*

As after Numa's peaceful reign,
The martial Ancus did the sceptre wield;
Furbish'd the rusty sword again,
Refum'd the long-forgotten shield,
And led the Latins to the dusty field. *Dryden.*
Inferior ministers, for Mars repair
His broken axle-tree, and blunted war;
And fend him forth again, with furbish'd arms. *Dryden.*

FURBISHER. *n. s.* [from *fourbir*, French, from *furbish*.] One who polishes any thing.

FURCA'TION. *n. s.* [from *furca*, Latin.] Forkiness; the state of shooting two ways like the blades of a fork.

When they grow old they grow less branched, and first do
lose their brow-antlers, or lowest furcations next the head.

FURFUR. *n. s.* [Latin.] Husk or chaff, scurf or dandruff,
that grows upon the skin, with some likeness to bran. *Quincy.*
FURFURACEOUS. *adj.* [from *furfur*, Latin.] Husky; branny;
scaly.

FURIOUS. *adj.* [from *furieux*, French; *furiosus*, Latin.]

1. Mad; phrenetic.
No man did ever think the hurtful actions of furious men
and innocents to be punishable. *Hooker, b. i. f. 9.*

2. Raging; violent; transported by passion beyond reason.
Who can be wise, amaz'd, temperate and furious,
Loyal and neutral in a moment? No man. *Shaksp. Macb.*

To be furious,
Is to be frighted out of fear; and, in that mood,
The dove will peck the estridge. *Shaksp. Ant. and Cleopat.*

FURIOUSLY. *adv.* [from *furious*.] Madly; violently; vehemently.

Which when his brother saw, fraught with great grief
And wrath, he to him leapt furiously. *Fairy Queen, b. ii.*
They observe countenance to attend the practice; and this
carries them on furiously to that which of themselves they are
inclined. *South's Sermons.*

She heard not half, so furiously she flies;
Fear gave her wings. *Dryden.*

FURIOUSNESS. *n. s.* [from *furious*.] Frenzy; madness;
transport of passion.

TO FURL. *v. a.* [from *friser*, French.] To draw up; to contract.

When fortune sends a stormy wind,
Then shew a brave and present mind;
And when with too indulgent gales
She swells too much, then furl thy sails. *Creech.*

FURLONG. *n. s.* [from *farlang*, Saxon.] A measure of length; the
eighth part of a mile.

If a man stand in the middle of a field and speak aloud, he
shall be heard a furlong in round, and that in articulate sounds.

Coming within a few furlongs of the temple, they passed
through a very thick grove. *Addison's Freeholder.*

FURLOUGH. *n. s.* [from *verloof*, Dutch.] A temporary dismissal
from military service; a licence given to a soldier to be absent.

Brutus and Cato might discharge their souls,
And give them furlo's for another world;
But we, like sentries, are oblig'd to stand
In starless nights, and wait th' appointed hour. *Dryden.*

FURMENTY. *n. s.* [More properly *frumenty*, or *frumety*, of *frumentum*, Latin.] Food made by boiling wheat in milk.
Remember, wife, therefore, though I do it not,
The feed-cake, the paffies, and furmenty pot. *Tuff. Husb.*

FURNACE. *n. s.* [from *furnus*, Latin.] An inclosed fireplace.
Heat not a furnace for your foe so hot
That it may singe yourself. *Shaksp. Henry VIII.*

The fining pot is for silver and the furnace for gold. *Prov.*
We have also furnaces of great diversities, that keep great
diversity of heats. *Bacon's New Atlantis.*

The kings of Spain have erected divers furnaces and forges,
for the trying and fining of their gold. *Abbo.*

Who so falleth not down and worshippeth, shall the same
hour be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace. *Dan.*

A dungeon horrible, on all sides around,
As one great furnace, flam'd. *Milton's Paradise Lost, b. i.*

TO FURNACE. *v. a.* [from the noun.] To throw out as
sparks from a furnace. A bad word.

He furnaces
The thick fighs from him. *Shaksp. Cymbeline.*

TO FURNISH. *v. a.* [from *fournir*, French.]

1. To supply with what is necessary.
She hath directed
How I shall take her from her father's house;
What gold and jewels she is furnish'd with. *Shaksp. Lear.*

His training fuch,
That he may furnish and instruct great teachers,
And never seek for aid out of himself. *Shak. Henry VIII.*

Thou shalt furnish him liberally out of thy flock. *Deut. xv.*
Auria, having driven the Turks from Corone, both by
sea and land, furnished the city with corn, wine, victual, and
powder. *Knollet's History of the Turks.*

Come, thou stranger, and furnish a table, and feed me of
that thou hast ready. *Ecdus. xxix. 26.*

I shall not need to heap up instances; every one's reading
and conversation will sufficiently furnish him, if he wants to
be better stored. *Locke.*

2. To give things for use.
These simple ideas, the materials of all our knowledge, are
suggested and furnish'd to the mind only by these two ways,
sensation and reflection. *Locke.*

It is not any action of the state, but a compact among pri-
vate persons that hath furnish'd out these several remittances.
Addison's Remarks on Italy.

3. To fit up; to fit with appendages.
Something deeper,
Whereof perchance these are but furnishings. *Shaksp. Lear.*

Plato entertained some of his friends at dinner, and had in
the chamber a bed or couch, neatly and costly furnish'd. Dio-
genes came in, and got up upon the bed, and trampled it,
saying, I trample upon the pride of Plato. Plato mildly an-
swered, But with greater pride, Diogenes. *Bacon's Apophth.*

We were led into another great room, furnish'd with old
inscriptions. *Addison on Italy.*

4. To equip; to fit out for any undertaking.
Will your lordship lend me a thousand pounds to furnish
me? *Shaksp. Henry IV. p. i.*

Idea, forms, and intellects. *Prior.*

Have furnish'd out three different sects. *Prior.*

Doubtless the man Jesus Christ is furnish'd with superior
powers to all the angels in heaven, because he is employed in
superior work. *Watts's Improvement of the Mind.*

5. To decorate; to adorn.
The wounded arm would furnish all their rooms,
And bleed for ever scarlet in the looms. *Hallifax.*

FURNISHER. *n. s.* [from *fournir*, French, from *furnish*.] One
who supplies or fits out.

FURNITURE. *n. s.* [from *fourniture*, Fr. from *furnish*.]

1. Moveables; goods put in a house for use or ornament.
No man can transport his large retinue, his sumptuous fare,
and his rich furniture into another world. *South's Sermons.*

There are many noble palaces in Venice: their furniture is
not commonly very rich, if we except the pictures from the
hands of the best masters. *Addison.*

2. Appendages.
By a general conflagration mankind shall be destroyed, with
the form and all the furniture of the earth. *Villafan.*

3. Equipage; embellishments; decorations.
Young Clarion, with vaulted lustrous,
After his guise did cast abroad to fare,
And thereto 'gan his furnitures prepare. *Spenser.*

The duke is coming: see, the barge be ready,
And fit it with such furniture as suits
The greatness of his person. *Shaksp. Henry VIII.*

The ground must be of a mixt brown, and large enough,
or the horse's furniture must be of very sensible colours. *Dryd.*

FURRIER. *n. s.* [from *fur*.] A dealer in furs.

FURROW. *n. s.* [from *fur*, Saxon.]

1. A small trench made by the plow for the reception of seed.
Wheat must be sowed above furrow before Michaelmas.
Mortimer's Husbandry.

Then ploughs for seed the fruitful furrows broke,
And oxen labour'd first beneath the yoke. *Dryden's Ovid.*

Any long trench or hollow: as a wrinkle.
My lord it is, though time has plow'd that face
With many furrows: since I saw it first;
Yet I'm too well acquainted with the ground quite to for-
get it. *Dryd. and Lee's Oedipus.*

FURROW-WEED. *n. s.* [from *furrow* and *weed*.] A weed that grows
in furrowed land.

Crown'd with rank fumiter, and furrow-weeds. *Shaksp.*

TO FURROW. *v. a.* [from the noun; *furran*, Saxon.]

1. To cut in furrows.
While the plowman near at hand,
Whistles o'er the furrow'd land. *Milton.*

2. To divide in long hollows. *No*

No briny tear has furrow'd her smooth cheek. *Suckling.*

The billows fall, while Neptune lays his mace
On the rough sea, and smooths its furrow'd face. *Dryden.*

3. To make by cutting.
There go the ships that furrow out their way;
Yea, there of whales enormous fights we see. *Wotton.*

FURRY. *adj.* [from *fur*.]

1. Covered with fur; dressed in fur.
From Volga's banks th' imperious Czar
Leads forth his furry troops to war. *Felton to Lord Gower.*

2. Consisting of fur.
Not arm'd with horns of arbitrary might,
Or claws to seize their furry spoils in fight. *Dryden.*

FURTHER. *adj.* [from *forth*, not from *far*, as is commonly
imagined; *forth*, *fortheft*, corrupted from *forther*,
fortheft, *fortheft*, Saxon. *Farther* is used by Sir Thomas More.
See *FOUR* and *FARTHER*, of which the examples are to be
referred to this word.]

1. At a greater distance.
What further need have we of witnesses. *Mat. xxvi. 65.*

FURTHER. *adv.* [from *forth*.] To a greater distance.
And the angel of the Lord went further, and stood in a
narrow place. *Numb. xxii. 2.*

TO FURTHER. *v. a.* [from the adverb; *forþþian*, Saxon.]
To put onward; to forward; to promote; to countenance;
to assist; to help.

Things thus set in order, in quiet and rest,
Shall further thy harvest, and pleasure thee best. *Tuff. Husb.*

Could their fond superstition have further'd to great at-
tempts, without the mixture of a true persuasion concerning
the irresistible force of divine power. *Hooker, b. v. f. i.*

Grant not, O Lord, the desires of the wicked; further not
his wicked device. *Pf. cxi. 8.*

This binds thee then to further my design,
As I am bound by vow to further thine. *Dryden.*

FURTHERANCE. *n. s.* [from *further*.] Promotion; advance-
ment; help.

The Gauls learned them first, and used them only for the
furtherance of their trade and private business. *Spenser.*

Our diligence must search out all helps and furtherances of
direction, which scriptures, councils, fathers, histories, the
laws and practices of all churches afford. *Hooker.*

For gain and work, and success in his affairs, he seeketh
furtherance of him that hath no manner of power. *Hooker.*

Cannot my body, nor blood-sacrifice,
Treat you to your wonted furtherance? *Shak. Henry VI.*

If men were minded to live righteously, to believe a
God would be no hindrance or prejudice to any such design,
but very much for the advancement and furtherance of it. *Till.*

FURTHERER. *n. s.* [from *further*.] Promoter; advancer.
That earnest favourer and furtherer of God's true religion,
that faithful servitor to his prince and country. *Alcham.*

FURTHERMORE. [from *further* and *more*.] Moreover; besides.
This ring I do accept most thankfully,
And so, I pray you, tell him: furthermore,
I pray you, shew my youth old Shylock's house. *Shaksp.*

FURTIVE. *adj.* [from *furtivus*, Fr. *furtivus*, Latin.] Stolen; gotten
by theft.

Or do they, as your schemes, I think, have shown,
Dart furtive beams and glory not their own,
All servants to that source of light, the sun? *Prior.*

FURUNCLE. *n. s.* [from *furunculus*, Fr. *furunculus*, Latin.] A bile;
an angry pustule.

A furuncle is in its beginning round, hard, and inflamed;
and as it increaseth, it riseth up with an acute head, and some-
times a pustule; and then it is more inflamed and painful,
when it arrives at its state, which is about the eighth or ninth
day. *Wifeman's Surgery.*

FURY. *n. s.* [from *furor*, Latin; *furor*, French.]

1. Madness.
I do oppose my patience to his fury; and am arm'd
To suffer with a quietness of spirit
The very tyranny and rage of his. *Shaksp. Mer. of Venice.*

He hath given me to know the natures of living creatures,
and the furies of wild beasts. *Wisd. vii. 20.*

2. Enthusiasm; exaltation of fancy.
Taking up the lute, her wit began to be with a divine fury
inspired; and her voice would, in so beloved an occasion,
second her wit. *Stidney, b. ii.*

A fubil, that had number'd in the world
The sun to course two hundred compasses,
In her prophetic fury few'd the work. *Shaksp. Othello.*

Greater than human kind the mortal'd to look,
And with an accent more than mortal spoke;
Her staring eyes with sparkling fury roll,
When all the god came rushing on her soul. *Dryden's Zen.*

4. [From *furia*, Latin.] One of the deities of vengeance, and
thence a stormy, turbulent, violent, raging woman.
The fight of any of the house of York,
Is as a fury to torment my foul. *Shaksp. Henry VI. p. iii.*

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